

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:17-cv-02489-JEB**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Assigned to: Judge James E. Boasberg  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 11/17/2017  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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| Date Filed | #        | Docket Text  |
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| 11/17/2017 | <u>1</u> | COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5210794) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Attorney, # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons U.S. Department of State)(Burke, Lauren) (Entered: 11/17/2017) |
| 11/17/2017 | <u>2</u> | LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Burke, Lauren) (Entered: 11/17/2017)   |
| 11/20/2017 |          | Case Assigned to Judge James E. Boasberg. (zsb) (Entered: 11/20/2017)  |
| 11/20/2017 | <u>3</u> | SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsb) (Entered: 11/20/2017)   |

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| 12/11/2017 | <u>4</u>  | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 12/11/2017. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 1/10/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 12/11/2017., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE served on 12/11/2017 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of David Rothstein)(Burke, Lauren) (Entered: 12/11/2017) |
| 12/18/2017 | <u>5</u>  | NOTICE of Appearance by Scott Leeson Sroka on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 12/18/2017)   |
| 01/10/2018 | <u>6</u>  | ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Sroka, Scott) Modified to add link on 1/11/2018 (znmw). (Entered: 01/10/2018)   |
| 01/10/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER: The Court ORDERS that the parties shall meet, confer, and submit a joint proposed briefing schedule by January 24, 2018. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 01/10/2018. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 01/10/2018)  |
| 01/10/2018 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 1/24/2018. (nbn) (Entered: 01/11/2018)   |
| 01/25/2018 | <u>7</u>  | Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Burke, Lauren) (Entered: 01/25/2018)  |
| 01/25/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER: Per the parties' <u>7</u> Joint Status Report, the Court ORDERS that the parties shall submit a further Joint Status Report on or before February 7, 2018. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 1/25/2018. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 01/25/2018)   |
| 01/25/2018 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/7/2018. (nbn) (Entered: 01/25/2018)   |
| 02/07/2018 | <u>8</u>  | Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Burke, Lauren) (Entered: 02/07/2018)  |
| 02/08/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER: Per the parties' Joint Status Report, the Court ORDERS that they shall file a further joint status report on or before March 7, 2018. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 2/8/2018. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 02/08/2018)   |
| 02/08/2018 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 3/7/2018. (nbn) (Entered: 02/08/2018)   |
| 03/07/2018 | <u>9</u>  | Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 03/07/2018)   |
| 03/07/2018 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 5/14/2018. (znbn) (Entered: 03/08/2018)   |
| 03/08/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER: Per the parties' <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, the Court ORDERS that the parties shall submit a further Joint Status Report on or before May 14, 2018. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 3/7/2018. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 03/08/2018)  |
| 05/14/2018 | <u>10</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 05/14/2018)   |
| 05/14/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER: Per the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, the Court ORDERS that they shall submit a further Joint Status Report on or before June 21, 2018. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 5/14/2018. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 05/14/2018)  |
| 05/14/2018 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 6/21/2018. (znbn) (Entered: 05/15/2018)   |
| 06/21/2018 | <u>11</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Burke, Lauren) (Entered: 06/21/2018)  |
| 06/22/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER: The Court ORDERS that the parties shall appear for a status hearing scheduled for August 3, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in Courtroom 25. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 6/22/2018.(lcjeb2) (Entered: 06/22/2018)  |
| 06/22/2018 |           | Set/Reset Hearings: Status Conference set for 8/3/2018 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom 25 before Judge James E. Boasberg. (znbn) (Entered: 06/22/2018)   |

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| 08/03/2018 |           | Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge James E. Boasberg: Status Conference held on 8/3/2018. Joint Status Report due by 10/29/2018. (Court Reporter Lisa Griffith) (nbn) (Entered: 08/03/2018)   |
| 08/03/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER: As discussed at today's status hearing, the Court ORDERS that: 1) The Government shall make rolling productions from the Executive Secretariat as proposed in the <u>11</u> Joint Status Report; and 2) The parties shall submit a further joint status report by October 29, 2018. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 8/3/2018. (lcjeb3) (Entered: 08/03/2018) |
| 10/29/2018 | <u>12</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 10/29/2018)   |
| 10/30/2018 |           | MINUTE ORDER: The Court ADOPTS the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report and ORDERS that they shall file a further Joint Status Report by January 4, 2019. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 10/30/2018. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 10/30/2018)   |
| 10/30/2018 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/4/2019. (znbn) (Entered: 10/31/2018)  |
| 01/02/2019 | <u>13</u> | Unopposed MOTION to Stay , MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>in Light of Lapse of Appropriations</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hudak, Brian) (Entered: 01/02/2019)  |
| 01/03/2019 |           | MINUTE ORDER GRANTING Defendant's <u>13</u> Motion to Stay. The Court ADOPTS Defendant's proposal to extend the deadlines in this matter and ORDERS that the parties shall file a Joint Status Report within seven days after Congress has appropriated funds for DOJ and State. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 1/3/2019. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 01/03/2019)                  |
| 02/01/2019 | <u>14</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Paul J. Orfanedes on behalf of JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 02/01/2019)   |
| 02/01/2019 | <u>15</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 02/01/2019)  |
| 02/04/2019 |           | MINUTE ORDER: The Court ADOPTS the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report and ORDERS that they shall file a further Joint Status Report by March 29, 2019. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 2/4/2019. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 02/04/2019)  |
| 02/04/2019 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 3/29/2019. (znbn) (Entered: 02/04/2019)   |
| 03/29/2019 | <u>16</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 03/29/2019)   |
| 03/29/2019 |           | MINUTE ORDER: The Court ADOPTS the parties' <u>16</u> Joint Status Report and ORDERS that they shall file a further Joint Status Report by August 8, 2019. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 3/29/2019. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 03/29/2019)   |
| 03/29/2019 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 8/8/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 03/29/2019)  |
| 08/08/2019 | <u>17</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Sroka, Scott) (Entered: 08/08/2019)   |
| 08/09/2019 |           | MINUTE ORDER: The Court ADOPTS the parties' <u>17</u> Joint Status Report and ORDERS that they shall file a further Joint Status Report by October 11, 2019. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 8/9/2019. (lcjeb1) (Entered: 08/09/2019)  |
| 08/09/2019 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/11/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 08/09/2019)  |
| 10/11/2019 | <u>18</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Burke, Lauren) (Entered: 10/11/2019)  |
| 10/15/2019 |           | MINUTE ORDER: The Court ADOPTS the parties' <u>18</u> Joint Status Report and ORDERS that they shall file a further joint status report by December 10, 2019. So ORDERED by Judge James E. Boasberg on 10/15/2019. (lcjeb2) (Entered: 10/15/2019)   |

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| 10/15/2019 |  | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/10/2019. (znbn) (Entered: 10/15/2019) |
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